

# Mary Riley Styles Public Library Annual Report FY2017



Mary Riley Styles Public Library was honored as one of the top 259 libraries in the nation out of 7,409 libraries for the tenth year in a row by *Library Journal*. It is also one of only three in Virginia that received this award and is one of only a little over 100 libraries in the US that has won the award all ten years. The rating is determined by analyzing statistics that describe library service outputs, such as number of visits by patrons annually, circulation, public internet computer usage, program attendance, and electronic materials circulation.

## ► Setting Another Record

- We broke half a million in circulation of materials (501,827)!
- Over 36,000 adults, teens and children attended programs this year – 35% increase over last year.

## ► New Services

- We engaged a new Integrated Library System (ILS) – **Apollo by Biblionix**! The system went live at the end of June 2017. For patrons this meant a new look to the catalog and for staff as well behind the scenes. The company is very responsive to the library's needs and continues to work with us to make improvements.
- The library continued to expand its **eMagazine collection, known as Zinio, by adding new titles**. Currently the collection has over 90 titles. For more information go to: [www.fallschurchva.gov/downloadable](http://www.fallschurchva.gov/downloadable).

## ► Reaching Out

- We continue to break Summer Reading Program sign-up records with **over 2,500 adults, teens, and children registered!** The program lasted 8 weeks. Over the three month summer vacation, the library circulated **155,973** items!
- **Read & Roll Bookmobile**, a partnership with the Falls Church Police Department and Falls Church Public Schools, went into the community to provide free books and sign-up for summer reading and library cards.
- The library helped celebrate the **Tinner Hill Blues Festival** by hosting a magician for children.
- A successful **Food for Fines** campaign collected **1,019 items**, which were donated to the Falls Church Community Service Council, Inc. It was also helped this year with a donation from the Community Center's drive.

- Library staff marched in the Memorial Day Parade with its acclaimed **Rolling Readers Precision Drill Team**.
- Library staff provided **regular storytime at Kidstretch Preschool** during Summer of 2017 and continues to visit monthly.

## ► A Fond Farewell

- Mary McMahon, Library Director, retired August 1, 2017 after 18 years of service to the library, community, and the City of Falls Church. We wish her well in her new adventures!

## ► Statistical Information

	FY16	FY17	Change
Items Borrowed	465,687*	501,827*	+7.7%*
Size of Collection	148,636	150,508	+1.26%
New Library Cards Issued	3,220	3,601	+11.8%
Registered Borrowers (TOTAL)	27,413**	27,540	+4.6%
•City Residents	10,472	10,840	+3.5%
•Non-City Residents	16,941	16,700	-1.4%
Library Visits by Patrons	310,251*	308,393*	-.6%*
Web Site Visits	566,877***	380,319***	-32.9%***
Reserves Placed by Patrons	20,443	20,732†	+1.41%
Overdue Notices Sent (TOTAL)			
• Overdue Notices by email	53,956	57,771†	+7.0%
•Reminder Notices by email	209,262	214,331†	+2.4%
Number of Programs	738	970	+31.4%
Program Attendance (TOTAL)	27,087	36,598	+35.1%
Questions Answered	53,363•	56,512	+5.9%
Materials Cataloged	13,174	14,058	+6.7%
Volunteer Hours Donated	3,159	3,048	-3.5%
Revenue (TOTAL)			
•City	\$1,849,297	\$1,877,057	+1.5%
•State	\$141,028	\$145,120	+2.9%
•Other (booksale/memorial)	\$48,394	\$23,953	-50.5%

\*The library was open fewer days due to inclement weather (FY2016) and in FY2017 the change over to the new ILS.

\*\*Removed more inactive borrowers than previous years.

\*\*\*Some website visit statistics were lost in FY15 when the City changed the software that calculated the visits, thus the dramatic increase for FY16 which counted an entire year.

•An error occurred in the collection of data so fewer questions were logged.

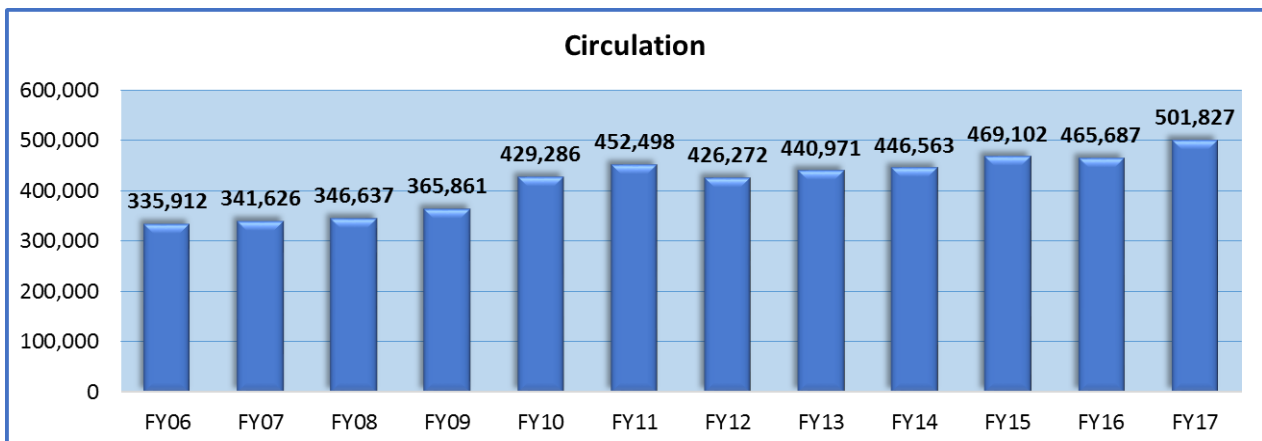
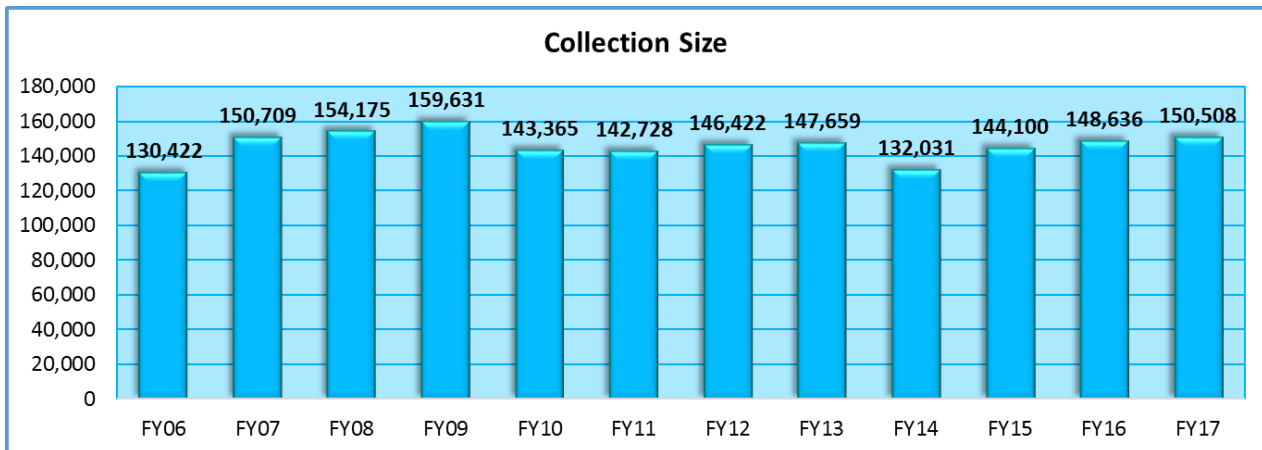
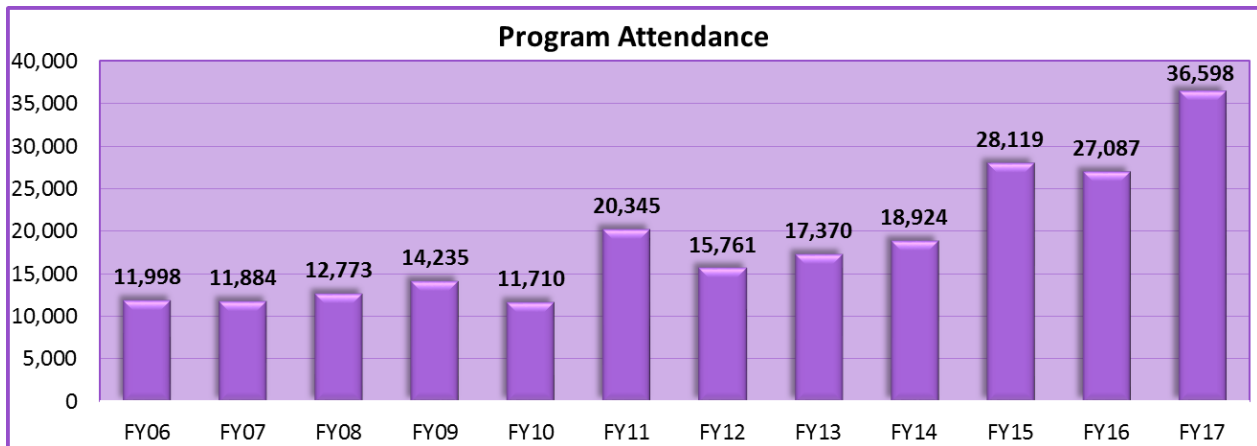
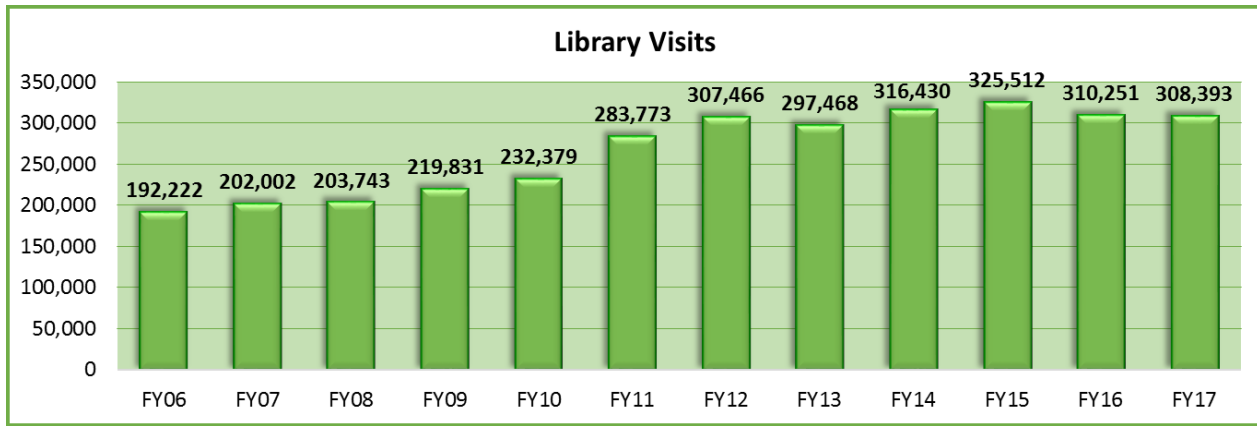
†Transition to new ILS resulted in no statistics collected for June 2017



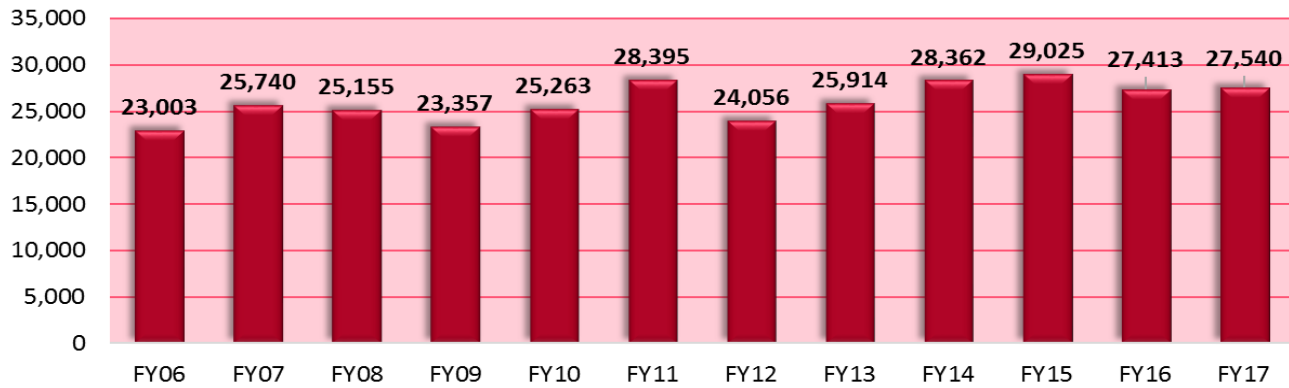
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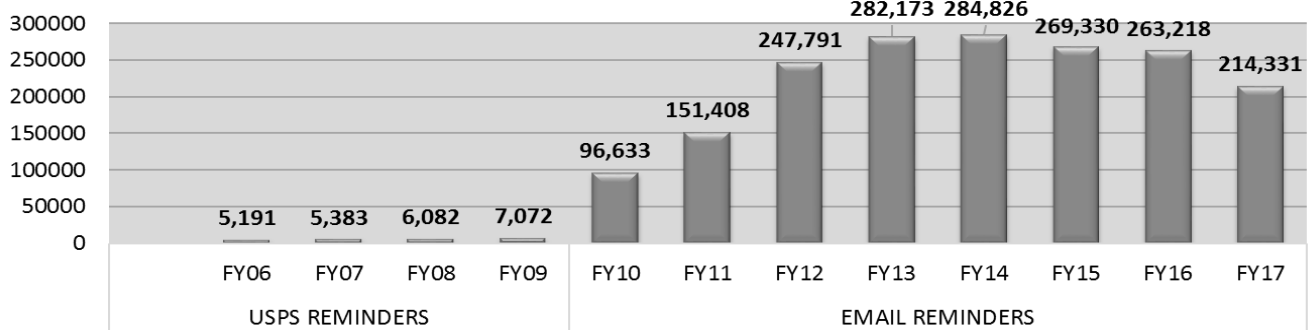
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### Registered Borrowers



### Reminder Overdue Notices Sent



### Questions Answered

